



T.S. CLAUDETTE UPDATE

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TROPICAL STORM CLAUDETTE SLOWLY MOVES TOWARDS TEXAS COAST...

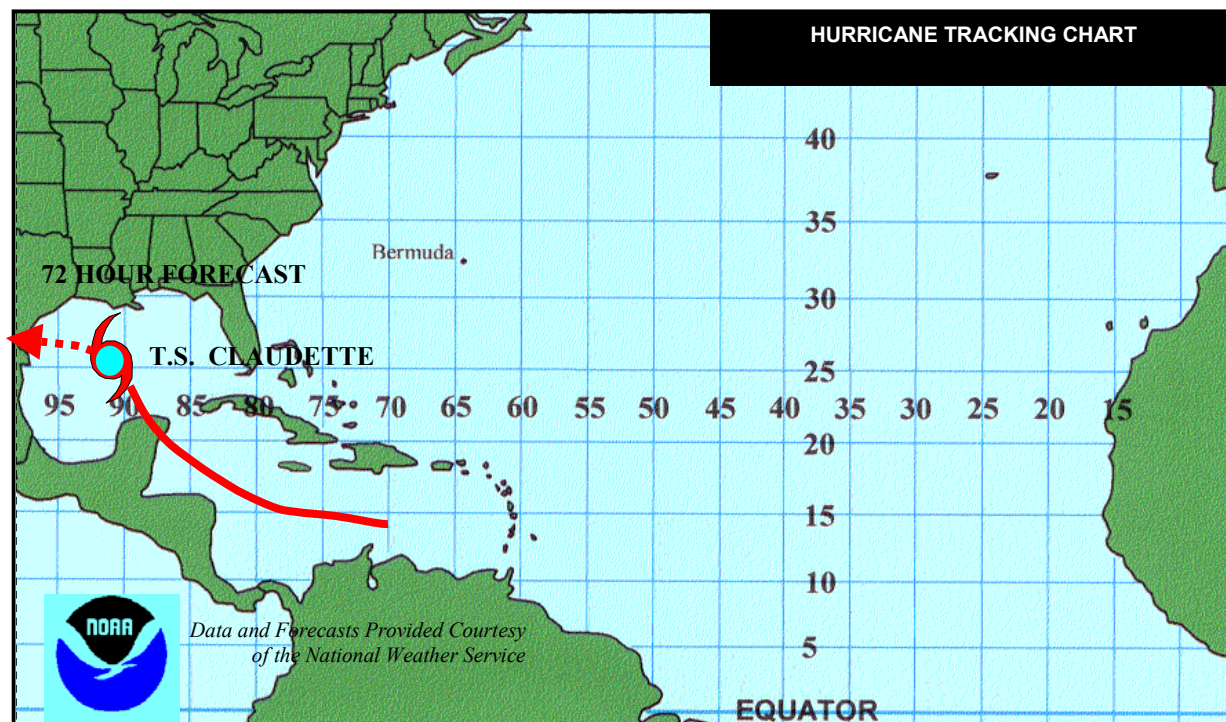
At 8:00 AM the third tropical storm of the 2003 hurricane season was located at 26.7 N 92.6 W with sustained winds around 65 MPH with higher gusts. With the center located approximately 290 miles east-southeast of Corpus Christi, Texas, Claudette is currently moving to the north-northwest near 6 MPH.

Claudette is forecast to turn towards the west-northwest direction in the next 12 to 24 hours and gradually move over the southern Texas coastline in about 48 hours. Due to the nature of the atmosphere at this time, fluctuations in intensity are likely, possibly bringing Claudette to hurricane intensity as it reaches landfall. Swells are now impacting the shorelines along the Texas coast and are creating dangerous surf conditions. A hurricane watch is in effect for the Texas coast from Matagorda to Brownsville. Although Claudette may reach landfall as a hurricane, the storm will quickly dissipate as it moves inland due to the loss of energy sources.

For the latest information and forecasts on Claudette, please visit the National Hurricane Center Website at www.nhc.noaa.gov.

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No. of Storms

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